ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 pm, Sunday, August 20, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91′ N. latitude with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point;

<u>Nichols Passage</u>: will be closed north of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74′ N. latitude.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the southern entrance of Windfall Harbor at 55°35.92′ N. latitude with the following restrictions:

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed;

<u>Clarence Strait and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed south of the southernmost tip of Streets Island at 55°28.57′ N. latitude and north of Windy Point at 55°12.77′ N. latitude;

<u>Cleveland Peninsula</u>: will be closed within 1 nautical mile of the Cleveland Peninsula shoreline;

Kasaan Bay, Skowl Arm, and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed;

Moira Sound: will be closed west of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at 132°00.35′ W. longitude.

District 3

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, August 20, 2017:

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Bay Point at 55°42.47′ N. latitude, 133°29.49′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Saint Philip Island at 55°39.31′ N. latitude, 133°25.16′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Blanquizal Point at 55°37.36′ N. latitude, 133°23.86′ W. longitude to the southernmost tip of Blanquizal Point at 55°37.10′ N. latitude, 133°23.23′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Santa Rosalia to the southernmost tip of Point Cangrejo at 55°20.81′ N. latitude, 133°21.42′ W. longitude.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Round Point at 55°07.63′ N. latitude with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62′ N. latitude, 132°58.33′ W. longitude to Shoe Island Light to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80′ N. latitude, 132°41.83′ W. longitude;

<u>Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay</u>: will be closed east of 132°35.00′ W. longitude and south of the northernmost tip of Helen Island;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of Kassa Point at 132°31.62′ W. longitude;

<u>Klakas Inlet</u>: will be closed north of 54°57.20′ N. latitude at the southernmost entrance to Max Cove;

Max Cove: all waters will be closed;

<u>Nutkwa Inlet</u>: will be closed north of the southernmost tip of Lime Point located at 55°03.16′ N. latitude.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Desconocida located at 55°41.64′ N. latitude, 133°31.71′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06′ N. latitude, 133°27.37′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Cangrejo at 55°20.81′ N. latitude, 133°21.42′ W. longitude.

Section 3-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

<u>Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 56°00.30′ N. latitude, 133°28.64′ W. longitude;

<u>Tokeen Bay</u>: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 133°28.64′ W. longitude.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August, 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

District 4: will be open.

District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius to the westernmost Barrier Island then due east to Prince of Wales Island and north of a line from Cape Decision to Cape Pole (all waters of Affleck Canal will be open to normal markers).

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, August 20, 2017:

Section 7-B: will be open.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

Section 9-B: will be open with the following restrictions:

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of a line from Sharp Point to Deepwater Point;

<u>Murder Cove</u>: will be closed north of a line from Bartlett Point to the southernmost tip of Carroll Island:

<u>Keku Strait and Port Camden</u>: will be closed south of a line from Cornwallis Point Light to Point Macartney Light;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude to 56°39.47′ N. latitude, 134°17.25′ W. longitude;

<u>Bay of Pillars</u>: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude.

District 10

District 10: will be closed.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Chichagof Island: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of East Point at 57°48.33′ N. latitude and north of Point Hayes, including the waters of Tenakee Inlet;

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39′ N. latitude and north of Parker Point at 57°36.73′ N. latitude, and south of the latitude of Point Samuel (Hood Bay, Chaik Bay, Whitewater Bay, and Wilson Cove to normal markers);

Hidden Falls THA: will be closed.

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restrictions:

Stag Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from 57°55.00′ N. latitude, 136°18.28′ W. longitude to 57°54.79′ N. latitude, 136°18.79′ W. longitude;

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°54.54′ N. latitude and 57°54.00′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and **closed south of 57°52.68′ N. latitude**.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

<u>Ford Arm</u>: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°34.74′ N. latitude, 135°57.08′ W. longitude to 57°34.38′ N. latitude, 135°56.46′ W. longitude;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

<u>Sister Lake:</u> will be closed east of a line from 57°38.11′ N. latitude, 136°00.36′ W. longitude to 57°37.58′ N. latitude, 136°00.00′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.01' W. longitude;

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17′ W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point with the following restrictions:

St. John Baptist Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Zeal Point;

Sukoi Inlet: will be closed south of a line from Hayward Point to Sukoi Point;

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16′ W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50′ N. latitude, 135°34.28′ W. longitude to the westernmost tip of Sasedni Island with the following restrictions:

<u>Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove</u>: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78′ N. latitude, 135°22.55′ W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00′ N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

<u>Nakwasina Sound</u>: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°10.58′ N. latitude, 135°24.81′ W. longitude to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be closed.

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00′ W. longitude with the following restrictions:

Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°38.30′ N. latitude (entrance of Small Arm);

Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.10′ N. latitude.

Section 13-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes;

Rodman Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from Point Elizabeth to Point Benham;

<u>Hoonah Sound North Arm and Peril Strait</u>: will be closed north of a line from 57°28.83′ N. latitude, 135°06.62′ W. longitude to Pederson Point (on Moser Island).

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, August 20, 2017:

Section 14-A: will be open in the following area:

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51′ N. latitude, 136°09.78′ W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46′ N. latitude, 136°16.39′ W. longitude and west of 136°09.60′ W. longitude.

Section 14-C: will be open in the following area:

Excursion Inlet: will be open in those waters north of the latitude of the Excursion Point at 58°22.49′ N. latitude and south of 58°27.95′ N. latitude, including the waters of Sawmill Bay.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m., Sunday, August 20, through 9:00 p.m., Monday, August 21, 2017:

Section 14-A: will be open in the following area:

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51′ N. latitude, 136°09.78′ W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46′ N. latitude, 136°16.39′ W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°08.29′ N. latitude, 136°10.18′ W. longitude, to a point at 58°08.28′ N. latitude, 136°11.92′ W. longitude.

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

<u>King Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: **For all Southeast Alaska waters, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY NOT be retained and sold.** King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S5717.

News releases web site: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

Office	Ketchikan	Petersburg	Wrangell	Sitka	Juneau	Haines	Hoonah	Yakutat
ADF&G	225-5195	772-3801	874-3822	747-6688	465-4250	766-2830		784-3255
AWT	225-5111	772-3983	874-3215	747-3254	465-4000		945-3620	

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 33

Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 18, 2017.

		NUM	IBERS O	F SALMON			
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	1,200	700	120,000	2,000	123,900	13
District 3	0	2,500	1,600	565,000	14,000	583,100	30
District 4	0	9,000	900	280,000	4,700	294,600	24
District 5	0	1,000	100	85,000	1,000	87,100	6
District 7	0	1,000	500	100,000	20,000	121,500	9
Section 9-B	0	1,500	2,000	625,000	10,000	638,500	42
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	700	2,300	163,000	3,300	169,300	7
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	250	1,400	138,000	4,500	144,150	12
W. Admiralty shore	0	1,700	3,600	328,000	10,000	343,300	16
SW Admiralty shore	0	650	2,300	297,000	16,000	315,950	17
Section 13-A	0	800	800	500,000	9,000	510,600	39
Section 13-B	0	10	40	16,000	3,000	19,050	5
Deep Inlet THA	0	60	160	4,000	70,000	74,220	39
Total	0	20,370	16,400	3,221,000	167,500	3,425,270	259

	FISH PER BOAT							
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total		
District 1	0	92	54	9,231	154	9,531		
District 3	0	83	53	18,833	467	19,437		
District 4	0	375	38	11,667	196	12,275		
District 5	0	167	17	14,167	167	14,517		
District 7	0	111	56	11,111	2,222	13,500		
Section 9-B	0	36	48	14,881	238	15,202		
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	100	329	23,286	471	24,186		
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	21	117	11,500	375	12,013		
W. Admiralty shore	0	106	225	20,500	625	21,456		
SW Admiralty shore	0	38	135	17,471	941	18,585		
Section 13-A	0	21	21	12,821	231	13,092		
Section 13-B	0	2	8	3,200	600	3,810		
Deep Inlet THA	0	2	4	103	1,795	1,903		

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 132,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 9,100 king and 151,000 chum salmon.

Confidential: Section 13-C and Hidden Falls. No reported harvest: Districts 2 and 10.